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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any programme to educate women of the tribal areas particularly those of Gadchiroli Chimur Parliamentary constituency of Maharashtra;
(b) if so, the details theroef during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
(c) the number of women who became literate in the country particularly in Gadchiroli-Chimur parliamentary constituency of Maharashtra including various other tribal areas during the said period, State-wise; and
(d) the total amount of fund spent on the said programme, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b) In order to improve the female literacy rate in the country, Government is implementing Saakshar Bharat programme for adults since October, 2009. The scheme is being implemented in rural areas of 410 districts in 26 States and one UT that had Adult Female Literacy rate of 50% or below as per census 2001 including left wing extremism affected districts, irrespective of their female literacy rate with special focus on Women, SCs, STs and other disadvantaged groups. The principal target of the programme is to impart Functional Literacy to 70 million adults including 60 million Women (SCs-10 million, STs-6 million, Muslims-10 million, others-34 million).

Gadchiroli and Chandrapur (including Chimur sub-division) of Maharashtra are not ST Special Focus Districts (SFD). However, under Saakshar Bharat Programme 26,150 women have been made literate in Gadchiroli district. Details of number of women district wise made literate under Saakshar Bharat prgramme in the Scheduled Tribe Special Focus Districts and in Gadchiroli district of Maharashtra are at Annexure-I.
(c) & (d) State wise details of number of women made literate under Saakshar Bharat prgramme in the country during last three years & current year are at Annexure-II. A statement indicating State/UT-wise release of central share under Saakshar Bharat programme during the last three years and current year is at Annexure-III.
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